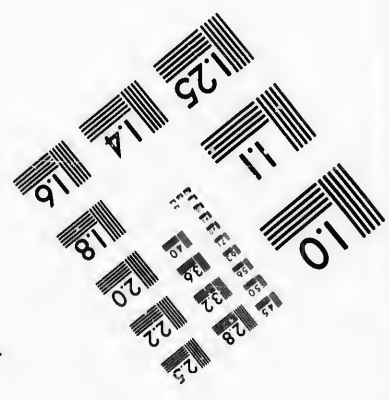
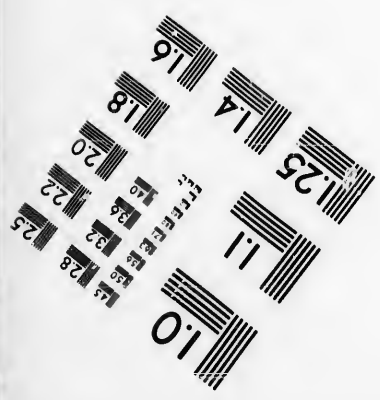
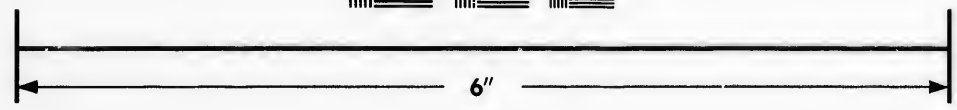
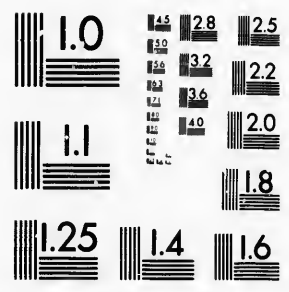


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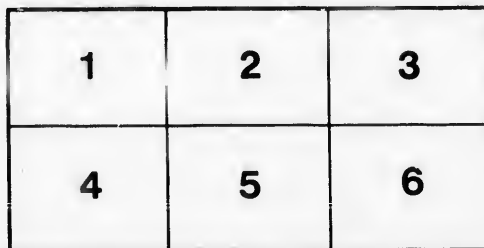
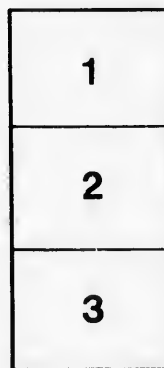
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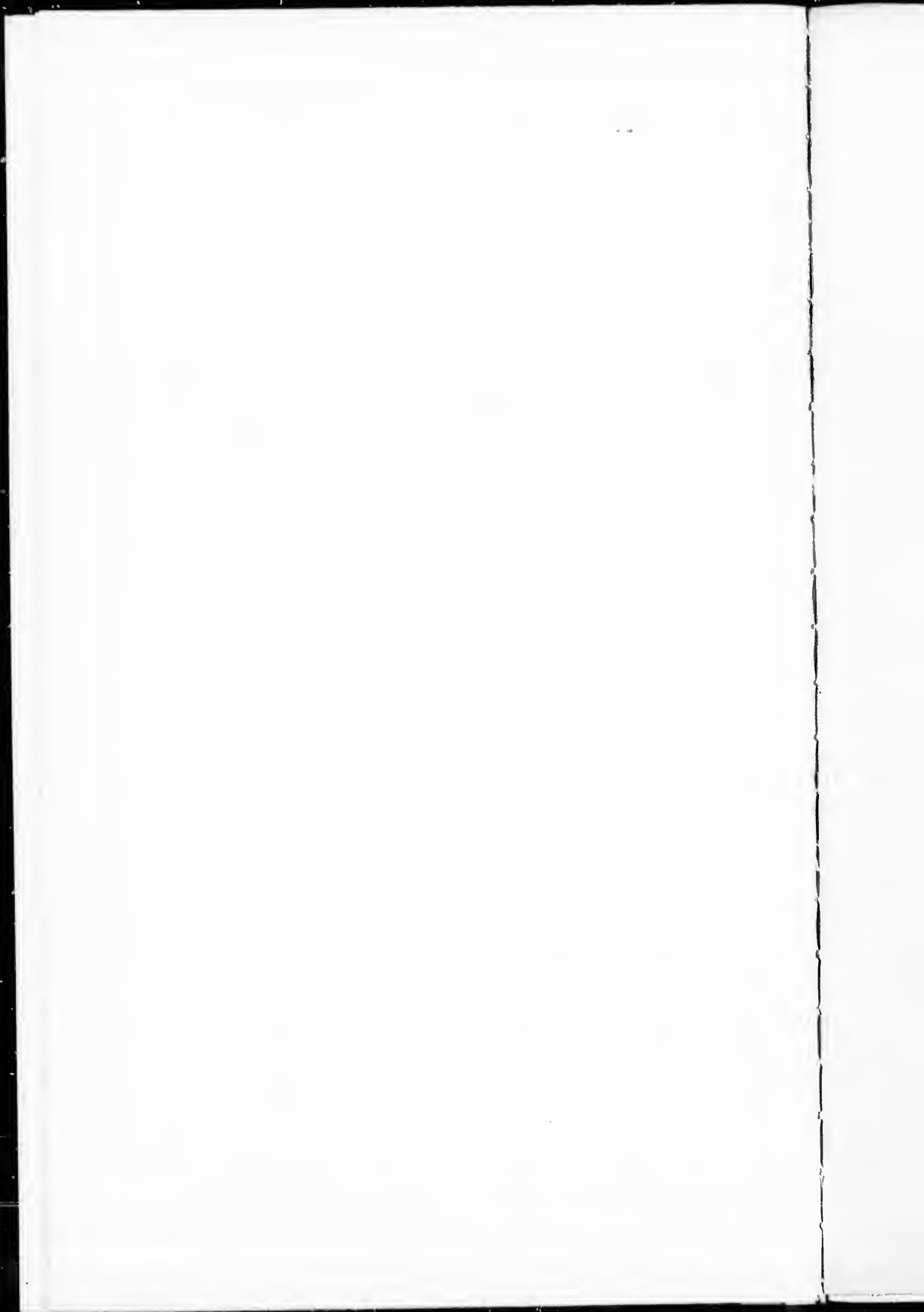
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To all whom these presents shall come, greeting :

WHEREAS William E. Logan, John O. Browne, Frederick F. Passmore, Kivas Tully, William Thomas, Thomas Ridout, Sandford Fleming, and others of our loving subjects in our Province of Canada, have formed themselves into a Society for the encouragement and general advancement of the Physical Sciences, the Arts and the Manufactures in this part of our Dominions, and more particularly for promoting the acquisition of those branches of Knowledge which are connected with the Professions of Surveying, Engineering and Architecture, being the Arts of opening up the Wilderness and preparing the Country for the pursuits of the Agriculturist, of adjusting with accuracy the boundaries of Properties, of improving

and adorning our Cities and the Habitations of our subjects, and otherwise smoothing the path of Civilization, and also being the Arts of directing the great sources of Power in Nature for the use and convenience of man as the means of production and of traffic both for external and internal trade, and materially advancing the development of the Resources and of the Industrial Productions and Commerce of the Country, and have commenced the formation of a Museum for collections of Models and Drawings of Machines and Constructions, New Inventions and Improvements, Geological and Mineralogical Specimens, and whatever may be calculated, either as Natural Productions or Specimens of Art, to promote the purposes of Science and the general interests of society, and have subscribed and collected certain sums of money for these purposes.

AND WHEREAS, in order to secure the property of the said Society and to extend its useful operations and at the same time to give it a more permanent establishment among the Literary and Scientific Institutions of this part of our Dominions, we have been besought to grant to the said William E. Logan, John O. Browne, Frederick F. Passmore, Kivas Tully, William Thomas, Thomas Ridout, Sandford Fleming, and to those who now are or shall hereafter become members of the said Society, our ROYAL CHARTER OF INCORPORATION, for the purpose aforesaid.

NOW KNOW YE THAT WE, being desirous

of encouraging a design so laudable and salutary, of our especial grace, certain knowledge, and mere motion HAVE WILLED, GRANTED AND DECLARED, and DO by these presents for us, our heirs and successors, WILL, GRANT AND DECLARE that the said William E. Logan, John O. Browne, Frederick Passmore, Kivas Tully, William Thomas, Thomas Ridout, Sandford Fleming, and such others of our loving subjects as now are members of the said Society or shall at any time hereafter become members thereof according to such regulations or by-laws as shall be hereafter framed or enacted, shall by virtue of these presents be the members of, and form one body politic and corporate for the purposes aforesaid, by the name of "THE CANADIAN INSTITUTE," by which name they shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, with full power and authority to alter, vary, break, and renew the same at their discretion; and by the same name to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in every court, of us, our heirs and successors, and be forever capable in the law to purchase, receive, possess, and enjoy to them and their successors any goods and chattels whatsoever, and also to be able and capable in law (notwithstanding the Statutes of Mortmain) to take, purchase, possess, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, a Hall or House, and any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments whatsoever, the yearly value of which, including the site of the said Hall, shall not exceed in the whole the sum of Two

thousand pounds, computing the same respectively at the rack rent which might have been had or gotten for the same respectively at the time of the purchase or acquisition thereof, and to act in all the concerns of the said body politic and corporate for the purposes aforesaid as fully and effectually, to all intents, effects, constructions, and purposes whatsoever, as any other of our liege subjects or any other body politic or corporate in our said Province of Canada, not being under any disability, might do in their respective concerns.

AND we do hereby grant our especial license and authority unto all and every person and persons, bodies politic and corporate, otherwise competent, to grant, sell, alien, and convey in Mortmain unto and to the use of the said Society and their successors any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments not exceeding such annual value as aforesaid. And our will and pleasure is, and we further grant and declare, that there shall be a General Meeting of the Members of the said body politic and corporate, to be held from time to time as hereinafter mentioned, and that there shall always be a Council to direct and manage the concerns of the said body politic and corporate, and that the general meetings of the council shall have the entire direction and management of the same in the manner and subject to the regulations hereinafter mentioned. But our will and pleasure is, that at all General Meetings and Meetings of the Council the majority of the members present,

and having a right to vote thereat respectively, shall decide upon the matters propounded at such meetings the person presiding therein having, in case of an equality of numbers, a second or casting vote.

AND we do hereby also will, grant, and declare that the Council shall consist of a President, not more than three nor less than one Vice President, and not more than eleven nor less than three other Members, to be elected out of the members of the said body politic and corporate, and that the first Members of the Council, five of the President, shall be elected within six months after the date of this our Charter, the said William E. Logan shall be the first President of the said body politic and corporate.

AND we do hereby further will, grant and declare that it shall be lawful for the members of the said body politic and corporate hereby established to hold General Meetings once in the year or oftener, for the purposes hereinafter mentioned—viz., that the General Meeting shall choose the President, Vice Presidents, and other Members of the Council; that the General Meetings shall make and establish such by-laws as they shall deem to be useful and necessary for the regulation of the said body politic and corporate, for the admission of members, the establishment of Branch Societies, the management of the estate, goods, and business of the said body politic and corporate, and for fixing and determining the manner of electing the President, Vice President, and other Members of the

Council, and the period of their continuance in office, as also of electing and appointing a Treasurer, two Auditors, and two Secretaries, and such other officers, attendants, and servants as shall be deemed necessary or useful for the said body politic and corporate, and such by-laws from time to time shall or may alter, vary or revoke, and shall and may make such new and other by-laws as they shall think most useful and expedient, so that the same be not repugnant to the laws of England, to these presents, or to the laws and statutes of this our Province of Canada, and shall and may also enter into any resolution and make any regulation respecting any of the affairs and concerns of the said body politic and corporate as shall be thought necessary and proper.

AND we further will, grant and declare that the Council shall have the sole management of the income and funds of the said body politic and corporate, and also the entire management and superintendence of all the other affairs and concerns thereof, and shall and may—but not inconsistently with or contrary to the provisions of this our Charter or any existing by-law, the laws of England, or the laws and statutes of our said Province of Canada—do all such acts and deeds as shall appear to them necessary or essential to be done for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects and views of the said body politic and corporate.

AND we further will, grant and declare that the whole property of the said body politic and corporate

shall be vested, and we do hereby vest the same, solely and absolutely in the members thereof, and that they shall have full power and authority to sell, alienate, charge or otherwise dispose of the same as they shall think proper; but that no sale, mortgage, incumbrance, or other disposition of any Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments belonging to the said body politic and corporate shall be made, except with the approbation and concurrence of a General Meeting.

AND we lastly declare it to be our royal will and pleasure that no resolution or by-law shall on any account or pretence whatsoever be made by the said body politic and corporate in opposition to the general scope, true intent and meaning of this our Charter, the laws of England, or the laws and statutes of this our said Province of Canada, and that if any such rule or by-law shall be made the same shall be absolutely null and void to all intents, effects, constructions and purposes whatsoever.

IN testimony whereof we have caused these our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS our Right Trusty and Right Well-beloved Cousin James, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Governor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor-

in-Chief in and over our Provinces of
Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick,
and the Island of Prince Edward, and
Vice Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.,
at Quebec, this fourth day of November
in the year of Our Lord One Thousand
Eight Hundred and Fifty-one, and in
the fifteenth year of our reign.

W. B. RICHARDS,
Attorney General.

By Command,
E. A. MEREDITH,
Assistant Secretary.

